

our Arab allies, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Morocco, and Sudan. Unlike the Palestinian leadership, I am encouraged to see these Arab nations suspend their continued rejection of Israel and work to integrate it into the region.

While we continue to see the UN's deplorable efforts to isolate, condemn and excessively attack Israel, I celebrate one of the few positive things it has done in the Middle East—the historic 75th anniversary of the UN Partition Plan vote, guided by strong U.S. leadership.

May the U.S.-Israel relationship continue to flourish for the next 75 years and beyond, and may we continue to promote our shared interests supporting democracy, peace, and co-operation throughout the region.

#### TRIBUTE TO FRANK P. HOFACKER

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last month, I had the pleasure of attending the Salem Community College Foundation Veterans Dinner. At the event, Frank Hofacker was honored for his service to our nation in the United States Army from 1966 to 1969. He was ranked as a sergeant and received many awards and decorations for his exemplary service. Frank earned the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Vietnam Campaign Medal. He also was honored with the Bronze Star Medal, which is a decoration for heroic achievement and heroic service, as well as meritorious achievement and service in a combat zone. I want to personally thank Frank for his brave service to our great nation and it was truly an honor to attend the Veterans Dinner honoring him. God Bless Frank, and God Bless our United States of America.

#### RECOGNIZING THE VSC LUNAR ALLIANCE AND FOUNDER DAVID H. VAN DE VELDE

### HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to recognize VSC Lunar Alliance and Founder David H. van de Velde of The Villages, Florida, along with the Leesburg Noon Rotary Club for their Pledge Not to Bully Movement.

The Pledge Against Bullying Program was established in 2018 with the Interact Club at Leesburg High School with Principal Michael Randolph and has influenced numerous teenagers to make the Pledge. The VSC Lunar Alliance has drawn interest to the Pledge Against Bullying Program by allowing the participants to be a part of an exciting night program.

Moon Mission No. 1 is the first space rocket mission of VSC Lunar Alliance in a series of three missions. VSC Lunar Alliance has arranged to have a micro-SD card placed in a capsule aboard a space rocket ship at Space

Port America in New Mexico. Students have their pledges, pictures, and essays on the micro-SD card along with memorabilia from the Leesburg Rotary Club and community organization. Moon Mission No. 1 is a test flight scheduled to launch November 30th and will go into space and return to the Earth.

Moon Mission No. 2 and Moon Mission No. 3 are scheduled for 2023. Moon Mission No. 2 will launch from the Kennedy Space Centre at Cape Canaveral in Florida. Moon Mission No. 2 will also carry the capsule with the micro-SD card and this time will remain on the moon. VSC Lunar Alliance and the Leesburg Noon Rotary Club will be the first to place the Leesburg High School students and participants of the Pledge Against Bullying Program on the moon along with the Leesburg Noon Rotary Club.

Founder David H. van de Velde has personally monetarily invested in support of this program to join in the three space rocket ship launches. David H. van de Velde has a vast knowledge and experience in space technology. As part owner of Quality Materials Inspection in Southern California from 1988 to 1990, Mr. van de Velde began his great interest in space technology.

I am honored to recognize Mr. van de Velde for his passion for space science and his love for children and their success. It is commendable that through Mr. van de Velde's vision and the Leesburg Noon Rotary Club students can choose not to bully through the participation and education of science space technology.

#### TRIBUTE TO REVEREND FRANK E. WILLIAMS, JR.

### HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a devoted preacher, trusted funeral director, and beloved community leader, Reverend Frank E. Williams, Jr. Affectionately known as Frank, Jr., Rev. Williams transitioned on October 12, 2022, in his hometown of Sumter, South Carolina. His lifelong commitment to his community was deeply felt and will be sorely missed.

Reverend Frank E. Williams, Jr. was born on October 8, 1952, in Sumter, South Carolina to the late Reverend Frank E. Williams, Sr. and Magnolia Robinson Williams. He attended public schools in Sumter County before pursuing a bachelor's degree in Sociology at Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina. He later attended the Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service in Atlanta, Georgia, where he was a member of the National Morticians Fraternity, Pi Sigma Eta. He graduated in 1976 with a diploma in Funeral Service Sciences.

Frank, Jr. returned to Sumter to begin work at his family's funeral home. He became the youngest funeral director and embalmer in Sumter, South Carolina. Throughout the next 46 years, he would touch the lives of hundreds of families in this role as he guided them through some of their most difficult times.

Rev. Williams, a Godfearing man, recognized his calling to preach the gospel during his membership at Rafting Creek Missionary

Baptist Church. He received his license to preach on June 8, 2003 and was ordained on May 30, 2004. Shortly thereafter, he founded Faith Missionary Baptist Church, which he faithfully pastored until his health declined.

I knew Frank, Jr. well through his civic endeavors throughout the Sumter community, the state of South Carolina and beyond. At one time he was the youngest person to serve on the Sumter County Council representing District 5, a position which he held honorably for 12 years. He spearheaded the effort to erect a statue in honor of Dr. Luns C. Richardson of Morris College, who became the longest-serving college President in South Carolina. The statue was erected on Morris College's campus in 2021.

Throughout his life, Frank, Jr. was an active member of several social organizations. He was 33 Grand Inspector General of the C.C. Johnson Consistory No. 136 and served as Worshipful Master of Catchall Masonic Lodge No. 425. He was also a lifelong member of the NAACP and participated in several civil rights actions, including the 1995 "Million Man March" in Washington, D.C.

Frank, Jr. is survived by his wife of 40 years, Mrs. Thoma Lewis Williams and 4 children, Marcus Evans, M. Brooke Williams, Frank E. Williams, III, and Thomas Wesley Williams, and 2 grandchildren, Nova Imani Williams, and Malik Rivers.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in honoring the remarkable life led by Reverend Frank E. Williams, Jr. His work as a minister, funeral director and county council member cemented him in the bedrock of his community. He has left an indelible mark on those around him and was an inspiration to us all.

#### TRIBUTE TO CORDELL CARR

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last month, I had the pleasure of attending the Salem Community College Foundation Veterans Dinner. At the event, Cordell Carr was honored. Cordell served in the United States Marine Corps from September of 1967 to September of 1969. During his service, he earned the rank of Corporal within the Marine Corps. Cordell also was awarded numerous medals and badges in honor of his heroic service. These awards include the National Defense Service Medal, the Rifle Expert Badge, the Vietnam Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. Cordell should be proud of his military achievements and brave service to our nation, and I want to sincerely thank him for all he has done to keep our country safe. God Bless Cordell, and God Bless America.

#### HONORING WARREN C. DOCKUM

### HON. LAUREN BOEBERT

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mrs. BOEBERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the work of a group of